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DIV. OF OIL, GAS & MINING

Subject:

Permit Renewal Notice – Trail Mountain Mine C/015/0009

Ms. Dana Dean,

As required by the Utah Coal Regulations (R645-303-232.100), an application for renewal of a permit must be filed with the Division at least 120 days before expiration of the existing permit term. The Trail Mountain permit will expire on February 21, 2010. The application for permit renewal should have been submitted on or before October 23, 2009. This date has passed, and Energy West is currently working toward submitting this notice as soon as possible.

On October 1, 2009, the Division completed the Trail Mountain Mid-Term Review. As this was a two-year approval process, Energy West inadvertently overlooked the mine permit renewal submission that followed so closely afterward. When we checked our records, we found that the notification for permit renewal had not been submitted in a timely manner. We regret this omission and will correct the situation as quickly as possible (within 1 week).

If you have any questions or concerns regarding this issue, please contact me at (435) 687-4712 or Dennis Oakley at (435) 687-4825.

Sincerely,

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